COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

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THE NOTICE OF PURCHASED GAS

ADJUSTMENT FILING OF BELFRY

GAS, INC.

) CASE NO. 7341-U

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ORDER

On July 19, 1979, the Commission issued its Order in Case No. 7341 approving certain adjustments in rates and providing under certain conditions for the further adjustment of such rates when the wholesale cost of gas is increased or decreased or a refund is received.

On March 19, 1987, Belfry Gas, Inc., ("Belfry") notified the Commission it that had received an increase in rates from its supplier, Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation ("Transmission"), effective January 1, 1987, and submitted with its notice certain information in compliance with its purchased gas adjustment clause on file with this Commission.

After reviewing the record in this case and being advised, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that:

(1) Transmission applied with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission for a decrease to become effective January 1, 1987. An increase in Belfry's dekatherm conversion factor from Transmission caused the rate change to become an increase rather than a decrease.

(2) The effective date of this rate increase would actually be April 19, 1987, due to the fact that Belfry has not made a timely filing and 30 days' notice is required for a rate increase. Because Belfry has already filed for 2 rate decreases to be effective March 1, 1987, and April 1, 1987, however, the rates proposed by Belfry in this application have been twice superseded and should not be put into effect.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

(1) The rates proposed by Belfry be and they hereby are denied.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 20th day of April, 1987.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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Somissioner

ATTEST:

Executive Director